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25X1C 1. There was an airfield northwest of POLOTSCK, White Russian SSR, (28°47' E/55°28' N). It had no hangars.

25X1X 2. Parachuting was practiced daily. About 16 paratroopers jumped from a twin-engine plane at an estimated altitude of 3,300 feet.

25X1C 3. There were two airfields near POLOTSCK, one about three miles northeast of the town and the other one west of the town between the Dvina River and the railroad line.

4. There was intensive flight training at both airfields. Individual parachute jumps from captive balloons were practiced. There was group jumping from nine three-engine aircraft every Saturday. Thirty paratroopers jumped from one plane. The trainees were quartered in tents and earth huts on the edge of the airfields.

25X1A Comment:

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25X1X a parachute center with a large parachute unit, a parachute school, and a transport unit (probably two air transport regiments) are located in POLOTSCK.

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25X1A * Comment: states that the planes are parked in the open, but large hangars completed by July 1947 and four hangars under construction in July 1947.

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